



INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE  
**HOMO'POLY**  
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## International conference on homosexuality in secondary and tertiary education

*This conference aims to contribute towards a better understanding of homosexuality in secondary and tertiary education. The conference targets lecturers at teaching colleges and universities, teachers in secondary education, policy makers and representatives of sector organisations.*

### Conference theme

Education institutions play a critical role in eliminating the social breeding ground for homophobia and in providing a safe, secure space for young people to explore their sexual orientation and gender identity. Despite notable progress in some parts of the world, the experiences of the LGBT community illustrate that education systems still largely fail to meet these expectations.

Conference participants will obtain insights from a large comparative analysis in 8 European countries, as well as the effects of living in a same-sex household on test scores, early school leaving and the labour market. In addition, the conference provides practical workshops on didactical materials for secondary and tertiary education.

The conference takes place on the international day against homophobia, transphobia and biophobia. The conference is organised by the research center Leuven Economics of Education Research (LEER) of the Faculty of Economics and Business at KU Leuven, and the partners of the Homo'poly project ([www.homopoly.eu](http://www.homopoly.eu)). The conference takes place in Leuven, Belgium.

### CALL for PAPERS:

The conference invites presentations of academic papers. Speakers are expected to send a minimum 200-300 word structured abstract to [homopoly2019@gmail.com](mailto:homopoly2019@gmail.com) by **January 12, 2019 at the latest**.

Authors will be notified on acceptance by January 22, 2019.

Further information: [www.homopoly.eu](http://www.homopoly.eu).

